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| Application Number   | 09/716,722           | \ |  |  |  |
| Filing Date  | November 20, 2000    |   |  |  |  |
| First Named Inventor   | Philippe Leyendecker |   |  |  |  |
| Art Unit   | 2616                 |   |  |  |  |
| Examiner Name  | Thai Q. Tran         |   |  |  |  |
| Attorney Docket Number   | PF990077             |   |  |  |  |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

| 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s). |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| b. Other   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|   | Examiner Name        | Thai Q. Tran                              |  |  |
| Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27     | Art Unit             | 2616                                      |  |  |
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| 1. BASIC FILING, SE   | ARCH, AND   | EXAMINATION             | FEES               |                             |                               |                                       |                      |
|   | FILING  | FEES Small Entity       | SEAR               | CH FEES Small Entity        | EXAMINATION FEES Small Entity |                                       |                      |
| Application Type  | Fee (\$)  | Fee (\$)                | Fee (\$)           | Fee (\$)                    | Fee (\$)                      | Fee (\$)                              | Fees Paid (\$)       |
| Utility   | 300   | 150                     | 500                | 250                         | 200                           | 100                                   |                      |
| Design  | 200   | 100                     | 100                | 50                          | 130                           | 65                                    |                      |
| Plant   | 200   | 100                     | 300                | 150                         | 160                           | 80                                    |                      |
| Reissue   | 300   | 150                     | 500                | 250                         | 600                           | 300                                   |                      |
| Provisional   | 200   | 100                     | 0                  | 0                           | 0                             | 0                                     | ·                    |
| 2. EXCESS CLAIM F   | EES   |                         |                    |                             |                               | Small E                               | ntity                |
| Fee Description   |   |                         |                    |                             | <u>F</u>                      | ee (\$)                               | Fee (\$)             |
| Each claim over 20 (inclu   | iding Reissues  | s)                      |                    |                             | 5                             | 0                                     | 25                   |
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| Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)   |   |                         |                    |                             |                               |                                       |                      |
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